

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

G & G CLOSED CIRCUIT EVENTS, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

FIDEL ANTONIO MONTOYA, an individual,  
a/k/a Fidel Montoya Gomez, d/b/a El Salvador  
Pupuseria Tita's, and the marital community of  
Fidel Antonio Montoya and Sonia Y. Gomez,

Defendants.

No. C19-665-RSM

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S  
MOTION FOR ATTORNEY FEES

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff G & G Closed Circuit Events, LLC's Motion for Attorney Fees. Dkt. #17. On July 13, 2020, the Court granted Plaintiff's Motion for Default Judgment against Fidel Antonio Montoya based on claims under 47 U.S.C. § 605 and permitted Plaintiff to file a separate motion for attorney's fees. Dkt. #15.

District courts have broad discretion to determine the reasonableness of fees. *Gates v. Deukmejian*, 987 F.2d 1392, 1398 (9th Cir. 1992). To make this determination, courts determine the "lodestar amount," which is calculated by multiplying the number of hours reasonably

1 expended by a reasonable hourly rate. *Camacho v. Bridgeport Fin., Inc.*, 523 F.3d 973, 978 (9th  
2 Cir. 2008). The lodestar figure is presumptively a reasonable fee award. *Id.* at 977.

3 The Court finds that Plaintiff is entitled to fees as the prevailing party pursuant to 47  
4 U.S.C. § 605(e)(3)(B)(iii), and has set forth adequate evidence to support an hourly rate of \$350  
5 for attorney and \$175 for paralegal. The total requested amount of \$4,000, less than the lodestar  
6 calculation, is reasonable based on the hours worked and nature of this case.

7 Accordingly, the Court hereby finds and ORDERS that Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney  
8 Fees, Dkt. #17, is GRANTED. Defendants shall pay Plaintiff \$4,000 as an attorney fee award.  
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10 DATED this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2020.  
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15 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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